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Dear Nebraska Farmers, Ranchers and Agribusinesses:

The following narrative and tables are from recently published reports by USDA's Agricultural Statistics Board. These data are direct results of information provided by Nebraska producers and agribusinesses to the surveys conducted each month by this office. Thank you for your response to these surveys

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Stocks of Grain and Hay

Corn stocks in all positions on December 1, 2005, in Nebraska totaled 1.18 billion bushels, up 6 percent from last year and the largest total since 1987. **Wheat** stored in all positions totaled 39.5 million bushels, down 13 percent from a year ago. **Soybean** stocks totaled 182 million bushels, up 13 percent from last year and the largest total ever. **Sorghum** stocks totaled 25.0 million bushels, down 16 percent from 2004. **Hay** stocks on Nebraska farms totaled 4.6 million tons, up 5 percent from 2004.

United States **corn** stocks in all positions on December 1, 2005 totaled 9.81 billion bushels, up 4 percent from December 1, 2004. **Wheat** stored in all positions totaled 1.43 billion bushels, down slightly from a year ago. **Soybean** stocks totaled 2.50 billion bushels, up 9 percent from December 1, 2004. **Sorghum** stocks totaled 289 million bushels, up 2 percent from a year ago. **Hay** stocks stored on farms totaled 105 million tons, down 8 percent from the previous year.

Grain and Hay Stocks: By Commodity, Nebraska and United States, 2003-2005

Grain and Position	Nebraska				United States			
	Dec 1, 2003	Dec 1, 2004	Dec 1, 2005	2005 2004	Dec 1, 2003	Dec 1, 2004	Dec 1, 2005	2005 2004
	1,000 Bushels				1,000 Bushels			
	Percent				Percent			
Corn								
On Farms	650,000	760,000	780,000	103	5,286,000	6,144,000	6,325,000	103
Off Farms ¹	317,438	361,124	403,593	112	2,667,775	3,308,488	3,487,835	105
Total All Positions	967,438	1,121,124	1,183,593	106	7,953,775	9,452,488	9,812,835	104
All Wheat								
On Farms	14,500	7,100	8,500	120	491,925	531,020	531,000	100
Off Farms ¹	44,839	38,301	30,955	81	1,028,359	899,306	916,531	102
Total All Positions	59,339	45,401	39,455	87	1,520,284	1,430,326	1,429,531	100
Soybeans								
On Farms	42,000	66,000	68,000	103	820,000	1,300,000	1,345,000	103
Off Farms ¹	92,167	94,935	113,685	120	868,653	1,004,640	1,157,389	115
Total All Positions	134,167	160,935	181,685	113	1,688,653	2,304,640	2,502,389	109
Sorghum								
On Farms	9,000	8,500	5,400	64	45,200	78,700	55,000	70
Off Farms ¹	23,418	21,096	19,557	93	190,736	203,505	233,891	115
Total All Positions	32,418	29,596	24,957	84	235,936	282,205	288,891	102
Oats								
On Farms	2,000	1,400	1,400	100	64,400	60,400	60,100	100
Off Farms ¹	*	*	*	*	54,900	44,513	35,635	80
Total All Positions	*	*	*	*	119,300	104,913	95,735	91
All Hay								
	1,000 tons				1,000 tons			
On Farms	5,244	4,370	4,585	105	111,027	114,516	105,056	92

¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors. * Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Source: USDA NASS Grain Stocks January 12, 2006. USDA NASS Crop Production, January 12, 2006

Crop Summary: Acres Harvested, Yield and Production, Nebraska and United States, 2003-2005

Classification		Nebraska				United States			
		2003	2004	2005	<u>2005</u> <u>2004</u>	2003	2004	2005	<u>2005</u> <u>2004</u>
Percent						Percent			
Corn for Grain									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	7,700	7,950	8,250	104	70,944	73,631	75,107	102
Yield	Bushels	146.0	*166.0	154.0	93	142.2	160.4	147.9	92
Production	1,000 Bushels	1,124,200	*1,319,700	1,270,500	96	10,089,222	11,807,086	11,112,072	94
Corn for Silage									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	300	230	200	87	6,583	6,101	5,920	97
Yield	Tons	13.0	16.5	15.5	94	16.3	17.6	18.0	102
Production	1,000 Tons	3,900	3,795	3,100	82	107,378	107,293	106,311	99
Sorghum for Grain									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	500	415	250	60	7,798	6,517	5,736	88
Yield	Bushels	62.0	78.0	87.0	112	52.7	69.6	68.7	99
Production	1,000 Bushels	31,000	32,370	21,750	67	411,237	453,654	393,893	87
Sorghum for Silage									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	35	25	20	80	343	352	311	88
Yield	Tons	9.5	9.5	10.5	111	10.4	13.6	13.6	100
Production	1,000 Tons	333	238	210	88	3,552	4,776	4,218	88
Soybeans for Beans									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	4,500	4,750	4,660	98	72,476	73,958	71,361	96
Yield	Bushels	40.5	46.0	*50.5	110	33.9	42.2	43.3	103
Production	1,000 Bushels	182,250	218,500	*235,330	108	2,453,665	3,123,686	3,086,432	99
All Hay									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	3,150	2,800	2,850	102	63,383	61,966	61,649	99
Yield	Tons	2.41	2.29	*2.44	107	2.49	2.55	2.44	96
Production	1,000 Tons	7,600	6,423	6,945	108	157,585	158,247	150,590	95
Alfalfa Hay									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	1,450	1,250	1,250	100	23,529	21,707	22,389	103
Yield	Tons	3.60	3.65	3.70	101	3.24	3.48	3.38	97
Production	1,000 Tons	5,220	4,563	4,625	101	76,273	75,481	75,771	100
All Other Hay									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	1,700	1,550	1,600	103	39,854	40,259	39,260	98
Yield	Tons	1.40	1.20	*1.45	121	2.04	2.06	1.91	93
Production	1,000 Tons	2,380	1,860	2,320	125	81,312	82,766	74,819	90
Proso Millet									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	170	135	125	93	620	595	515	87
Yield	Bushels	19.0	25.0	*34.0	136	18.5	25.3	26.3	104
Production	1,000 Bushels	3,230	3,375	4,250	126	11,450	15,065	13,545	90
Potatoes, All									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	23.2	21.6	19.4	90	1,248.6	1,166.9	1,084.6	93
Yield	Cwt.	420	*430	425	99	367	391	388	99
Production	1,000 Cwt.	9,744	9,288	8,245	89	457,814	456,041	420,879	92
Beans, Dry Edible									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	148.0	110.0	172.0	156	1,346.9	1,219.3	1,562.9	128
Yield	Pounds	2,130	2,160	*2,250	104	1,670	1,459	1,742	119
Production	1,000 Cwt.	3,151	2,376	3,870	163	22,492	17,788	27,222	153
Sugar Beets									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	42.4	47.5	45.3	95	1,347.8	1,306.7	1,238.9	95
Yield	Tons	20.3	22.1	20.4	92	22.8	23.0	22.3	97
Production	1,000 Tons	861	1,050	924	88	30,710	30,021	27,654	92
Sunflowers									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	62	53	96	181	2,197	1,711	2,610	153
Yield	Lbs.	934	1,017	*1,479	145	1,213	1,198	1,540	129
Production	1,000 Lbs.	57,900	53,900	*142,000	263	2,665,226	2,049,613	4,018,355	196
Sunflowers - Oil									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	48	35	58	166	1,874	1,424	2,032	143
Yield	Lbs.	900	1,000	*1,400	140	1,206	1,238	1,564	126
Production	1,000 Lbs.	43,200	35,000	*81,200	232	2,259,666	1,763,378	3,177,635	180
Sunflowers - Non-Oil									
Harvested	1,000 Acres	14	18	38	211	323	287	578	201
Yield	Lbs.	1,050	1,050	*1,600	152	1,256	997	1,455	146
Production	1,000 Lbs.	14,700	18,900	*60,800	322	405,560	286,235	840,720	294

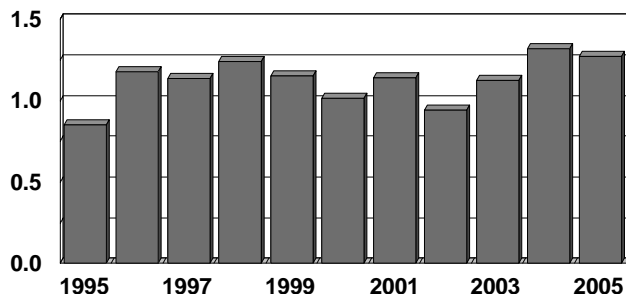
* Record high.

Source: USDA NASS Crop Production January 12, 2006

NEBRASKA CORN PRODUCTION

Annual Crop Production Report

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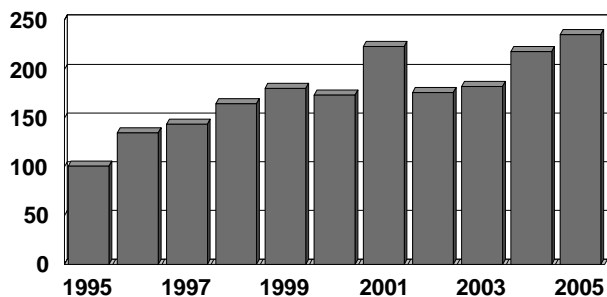


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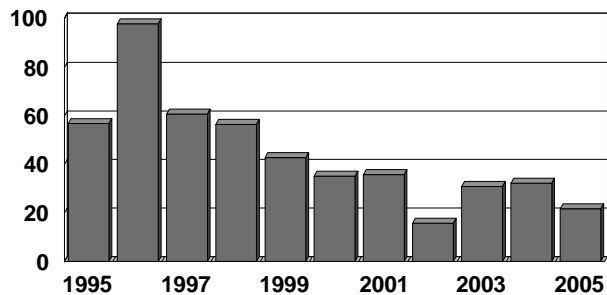


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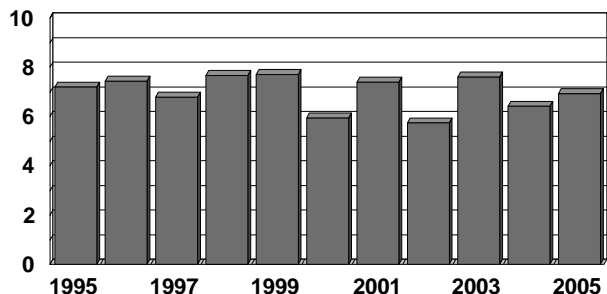


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NEBRASKA ALL HAY PRODUCTION

Annual Crop Production Report

Millions of Tons



Source: USDA NASS Nebraska Field Office, January 12, 2006

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USES OF USDA ARMS DATA

Information from USDA's Agricultural Resource Management Study (ARMS) fulfills a congressional mandate that USDA provide annual cost-of-production data for commodities covered under farm-support legislation. This year's ARMS survey, covering corn and oats, will be the last chance to update the annual economic snapshot before the 2007 Farm Bill is finalized.

- Farm Bill programs depend on ARMS data to calculate overall benefits to agriculture. If you've received a loan or farm payment from the Farm Service Agency (FSA), you are familiar with the safety net USDA programs provide.
- Federal funds and grants for states and communities are allocated based on per capita income projections from ARMS and other sources. Programs supported include Medicaid and other health services, education, road construction, senior services, water and waste utilities, and rural developments.
- Grower associations and elected representatives lobby for legislation that promote and serve agriculture and oppose those that may adversely impact you. Trade, tax, labor, fuel, irrigation, environmental, and other agricultural issues are heavily debated and need good information for well-informed decisions to be made.
- Colleges and universities use ARMS data in research programs to develop new and improved methods to increase agricultural production and profitability and for retirement and succession planning.

Grain Storage Capacity

There were 494 commercially licensed off-farm grain storage facilities in Nebraska as of December 1, 2005. Storage capacity for these facilities totaled 691 million bushels, down 1 percent from a year ago.

In the United States, off-farm grain storage facilities totaled 9,498 on December 1, 2005, down 1 percent from December 1, 2004. Capacity of off-farm commercial grain storage totaled 8.53 billion bushels, on December 1, 2005, up fractionally from December 1, 2004.

Off Farm Storage: Number and Capacity, Nebraska and United States, December 1, 2004-2005

State	Facilities		Storage Capacity	
	2004	2005	2004	2005
<i>1,000 Bushels</i>				
Nebraska	500	494	698,838	691,186
United States	9,608	9,498	8,521,156	8,530,179

Source: USDA NASS Grain Stocks January 12, 2006

On-farm storage capacity in Nebraska is estimated at 1.05 billion bushels, up 3 percent from last year.

The United States on-farm storage capacity totaled 11.4 billion bushels on December 1, 2005, up 1 percent from December 1, 2004.

On Farm Storage: Capacity, Nebraska and United States, December 1, 2004-2005

State	Storage Capacity	
	2004	2005
<i>Million Bushels</i>		
Nebraska	1,020	1,050
United States	11,210	11,355

Source: USDA NASS Grain Stocks January 12, 2006

Winter Wheat Seedings

Nebraska's winter wheat seedings for the 2006 crop is expected to total 1.75 million acres, down 100,000 acres from last year. Subsoil moisture supplies were mostly adequate to short as fall planting began and this condition continued until planting was completed. Weather conditions since planting have left the crop condition rated 64 percent good and excellent, identical to last year but well above two years ago.

Winter Wheat Seedings: Nebraska and United States, 2004-2006

State	Area Seeded All Purposes		
	Crop of		2006
	2004	2005	2005
<i>1,000 Acres</i>			
Nebraska	1,850	1,850	1,750
United States	43,350	40,433	41,367
<i>Percent</i>			
			95
			102

Source: USDA NASS Wheat Seedings January 12, 2006

Nebraska's Government Payments, 2004

In 2004, Nebraska producers collected \$728 million in government payments. This was fractionally more than the \$726 million in 2003 and 35 percent more than the \$5.39 million in 2002.

Government Payments: Nebraska, 2002-2004

Year	Payments
<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	
2004	728,310
2003	725,848
2002	539,264
2001	1,297,623
2000	1,406,971

Source: USDA ERS, August 2005

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